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SUBJ: U.S. WATER RESOURCES TRADE MISSION

REF: (A) STATE 248441, (B) USDOC 18128

1. WATER RESOURCES MISSION PLANS CALL FOR JAN 13 TO
18 (THURSDAY - TUESDAY) UAE VISIT. THURSDAY EVENING
ARRIVAL NOT PARTICULARLY CONVENIENT, BUT WE CAN LIVE
WITH SCHEDULE PROPOSED BELOW. FRIDAY WOULD BE TOALLY
LOST DAY IN ABU DHABI SO WE RECOMMEND UAE PORTION OF
MISSION BEGIN IN DUBAI.
FRIDAY COULD THEN BE PUT TO FRUITFUL USE
WITH TOUR OF NORTHERN EMIRATES, THE UAE'S PRINCIPAL
AGRICULTURAL AREA.

2. DUBAI CONTROL OFFICER WILL DISCUSS POSSIBILITIES FOR
DUBAI RECEPTION WITH PLANAGAN, BUT THIRD NIGHT OF MISSION
VISIT (SAT, JAN 15) IS FIRST NIGHT GOOD RECEPTION ATTEN-
DANCE COULD BE ASSURED. RECEPTION ON THURS (JAN 13) OR
FRI (JAN 14) WOULD PROBABLY FLOP AS MANY BUSINESSMEN
AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS LEAVE DUBAI ON WEEKEND.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOSTED RECEPTION IN ABU DHABI CAN

BE SET UP FOR EVENING OF JAN 16 OR 17 DEPENDING ON
EXACT ARRIVAL TIME ON THE SIXTEENTH.

3. SCHEDULE WE PROPOSE (WITHIN TIME ALLOTTED REFTTEL) IS:

THURSDAY JAN 13 ARRIVE IN DUBAI IN LATE EVENING

FRIDAY JAN 14 TOUR NORTHERN EMIRATES

SATURDAY JAN 15 IN DUBAI

SUNDAY JAN 16 IN DUBAI. LEAVE FOR ABU DHABI IN
AFTERNOON.

MONDAY JAN 17 IN ABU DHABI

TUESDAY JAN 18 IN ABU DHABI. LEAVE FOR BAGHDAD
IN LATE AFTERNOON.

4. WE ARE HOLDING CONFIRMED HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR MISSION FOR:

DUBAI INTERCONTINENTAL: 12 SINGLES AND ONE SUITE FOR
JAN 13, 14 AND 15.

ABU DHABI HILTON: 6 DOUBLES (SINGLES NOT AVAILABLE) AND
ONE SUITE FOR JAN 16 AND 17.

5. WE HAVE CONFIRMED RESERVATIONS FOR PLANAGAN AT DUBAI-

INTERCON FOR DEC 9, 10, AND 11 AND AT ABU DHABI-HILTON FOR
DEC 12 AND 13.

6. ACTION OFFICERS ARE: ABU DHABI, ROBERT COURTNEY AND
DUBAI, CHARLES CURRIER.

7. ACTION REQUESTED: PLS CONFIRM IF SCHEDULE PARA 3 SATIS-
FACTORY. ALSO, BOTH INTERCON AND HILTON NEED MORE INFORMATION
TO RESERVE CONFERENCE ROOM (THERE ARE VARIOUS SIZES AVAILABLE).
HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL BE IN CONF ROOM AND WHAT FURNITURE
LAYOUT (CINEMA, ROUND-TOUBLE, ETC.) WILL BE REQUIRED? CONF
ROOM AVAIL IN ABU DHABI ARE DESIGNED TO ACCOMMODATE 30, 40, 50
OR 250 PEOPLE. THERE ARE SIMILAR CHOICES AT DUBAI INTERCON.
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